

The Caledonian.

St. Johnsbury, Vt., Thursday, July 9, 1885.

The murder of a family at a railroad crossing near Boston Friday is but another argument against allowing highways anywhere to cross a railroad track at grade. The wonder is that more people are not killed at these murderous places, although a little watch of the daily press would convince any one that the list already is appallingly long. The sacrifice of these lives is simply to save a few dollars in expense in putting either the highway above or below the railroad. In England no travelled road is permitted to cross a railroad at grade.

"Save for the goose is sauce for the gander." In answer to a demand of gentlemen from Arizona that the Indians of the San Carlos reservation be disarmed, so that measure would likely prevent an impending conflict between the Indians and whites, Commissioner Atkins proposed that the cow-boys also be disarmed, and then proceeded to expound his views upon the Indian question at some length. He said he failed to see any reason why the cow-boys should carry arms when the Indians were disarmed, and added that it was entirely improper for any person, white, black, or red, to be permitted to ride around the country with a Winchester rifle and army revolver free to shoot any one on sight.

Gen. Grant has now been at Mt. McGregor a little more than three weeks. He is reported this week as having told Senator Chaffee in a pencil-and-paper talk that he abandons all hope of recovery, and that no one knows what he has suffered. Gen. Grant reads or has read to him all the New York papers. The news from Mt. McGregor is the first that he turns to, frequently with a pleasant remark that he desires to learn how he passed the night, and in what condition he ought to find himself on "getting up." He is very sensitive to the reports of the correspondents. Hopeful comment elicits him, and a gloomy story from the cottage depresses him. Nevertheless he has the newspapers as regularly as his medicine. There has been no marked change in his condition during the past week. He appears to be calmly awaiting the end, with characteristic coolness and courage.

Gen. Logan at Boston. The republican leaders of Massachusetts gave Gen. Logan a fine reception at Boston last week. Many eminent men were present and made addresses, and Gen. Logan's speech was among his best efforts. Besides a speech by the distinguished guest, Senator Hoar, Gov. Robinson, A. W. Beard and Henry C. Lodge all made addresses. Senator Hoar was no biter in his remarks to carry the weight he would otherwise have done. Gen. Logan also over-reached himself when he said that "the prostitution of the public service is going on in the name of reform." It is hard for some of the republican leaders to realize that the democrats are in power and that the world is moving on just the same in spite of that fact.

The State Library. Some of the state papers continue to be quite vigorously the annex to the state house at Montpelier. The Brattleboro Phoenix is one that insists that it will not only be much better every way to have the new library a separate and distinct building from the capitol, but that such was the understanding by the last legislature when it voted the appropriation of \$36,000. In order to carry out its position the Phoenix sent enquiries to all the members of the last legislature asking them what their understanding of the case was, and although it had received only one hundred replies as yet, the date of its last issue, three-fourths of its replies are to the effect that "a separate building was intended, and that an appropriation for an annex could not have been carried."

The objections to having the library made an annex to the capitol building are two: It will interfere with the lighting and mar the architectural beauty of the capitol. The main objection in the minds of the locating commission to making it a separate building was the insufficient appropriation, it being estimated that \$50,000 was necessary for a separate structure. Work on the excavation for the annex has already begun, and this is estimated to cost \$75,000; but it is hoped by some to tack this sum on the "repairs" account of the state house, a convenient crack having been found in one wing of the building which it is proposed to expand enough to cover this amount.

Which is Republicanism? There seem to be two kinds of republican newspapers this summer, of an entirely different tone. For instance, the New York Tribune in a recent issue says:

"The men who elected Mr. Cleveland by assassinating their political opponents are even now crowding the White House and the departments, their hands yet red with blood, demanding that they shall be honored and rewarded well for that service to the party."

Referring to the above statement the Philadelphia Telegraph, quite as good republican authority as the Tribune, replies as follows:

"It is this, President Cleveland should be dragged in ignominy from his place; if it is not true, what credit can the people place in the author of so infamous a libel, or what punishment would be too severe for him? The charge that the President of the United States was elected by assassins, whom he has rewarded with high trust and honor for their crimes, is deliberately made by a leading journal months after the election, and is sent abroad to all the world, with what consequences of contempt and horror of republican government can well be imagined by

those who do not know that the charge is a wicked lie coined in cold blood by a defeated personal organ." It is by such libellous and unfair statements as the above from the Tribune, continued for months after the presidential contest is ended, that has disgusted all fair-minded people with such organs as the Tribune and Boston Journal.

Note and Comment. The coat cut for Hiram Atkins by the Rutland Herald just fitted him, as every one can see in last week's Argus. It makes no difference whether Atkins pens the stuff himself or allows it done by the dirty backguard who does his editorial work—it is "skunk journalism" all the same.

Kansas City has the booming fever again. The city covers four square miles and claims 110,000 people and is proposing to take in 14 more miles of surrounding prairie to accommodate a hoped-for population of 500,000.

The action of the Woman's Christian Temperance union in Ohio, looking to the defeat of republican candidates for the legislature who favor taxation of the liquor traffic instead of prohibition, is making the Western republican organs nervous, and they call the union "a democratic side-show." All the signs point to a close fight for the control of the next Ohio legislature.

Prof. Eggleston of the school of mines in Columbia college says that the obelisk in Central Park at New York is disintegrating at such a rate that it will be beyond repair in 15 years. Gen. Di Cesnola says the same thing. The London twin of this Egyptian trophy has been given a coat of silica, but Di Cesnola would like to see ours put under cover, suggesting that it be placed in the center of the great hall of the Metropolitan museum. This would cost \$40,000.

The G. A. R. encampment at Portland deserves and is receiving praise for distinctly refusing to sanction the proposition to pay all soldiers of the war, no matter what their health or financial condition, a pension of \$8 a month. The effort to secure the endorsement of the G. A. R. for this pension grab had its origin with the claim agents at Washington. The passage of this bill would take not far from a hundred million dollars a year out of the federal treasury in addition to present large annual payments on pension accounts. It is estimated that a million able-bodied Union veterans survive to-day. The scheme was strongly urged at the last session of congress.

Mrs. Lucille Yessit Dudley, recently acquitted at New York, on the ground of insanity, of felonious assault in shooting O'Donovan Rossa, has been committed to the Middletown insane asylum. She was quite willing to go, though all through her trial she protested that she was not insane.

The last Connecticut legislature enacted a law prohibiting noisy demonstrations on the night of July 3d, which had its first practical trial last week Friday, and the peaceful citizen was able to sleep without disturbance from the fish horn, the cannon and the fire-cracker. About 20 persons were arrested at Bridgeport for violating this law. The feeling against Judge Slade, its author, is very bitter among certain classes.

While the number of business failures for the first half of this year is larger than for the same period last year, the liabilities are three-fifths less.

Joseph C. Mackin, as the result of a re-trial for the Chicago election frauds, has been sentenced to five years in state prison for perjury.

Judge Aldrich of the Massachusetts superior court decided last week that the ministers who preached on Boston common without a license from the city council were in the wrong. He said that if the city had the right to pass the ordinance prohibiting address on the common without a license, then every citizen, and every Christian citizen especially, ought to obey the law. The question in the case did not involve the right of speech or the right of preaching the gospel. The judge ruled that the city had the right to pass the ordinance, and that neglect to publish it in the newspapers did not make it invalid. This decision was rendered in the case against Rev. W. F. Davis, who appeals to the supreme court. The like case against Rev. H. L. Hastings was continued to await the decision in Mr. Davis's case. Dr. A. J. Gordon's fine has been paid by the Y. M. C. A., as part of the arrangement for the association's future preaching under a permit. The case against the Salvationists is dropped, they agreeing to respect the ordinance in future.

The Mormons are thoroughly embittered by the polygamy prosecutions which have of late been successfully made under the Edmunds law, and on the morning of the Fourth they paid a deliberate insult to the national flag by hanging it at half-mast on various public buildings, saying that the day was a day of mourning to them because their best men were in the penitentiary by virtue of federal officials' perversion of all principles of law and liberty, and intimated that any man who undertook to disturb the flag at half-mast would be shot. This action roused the patriotism of loyal citizens, and finally in response to their demands, the sheriff and mayor thought better of the matter and ordered the flags run up properly. The insulting order is said to have come direct from the head of the church.

As usual, one of the most notable celebrations of the national holiday was at Woodstock, Ct., under the direction of Editor Henry C. Bowen of the Independent. Senator Sherman and Gen. Logan were the distinguished speakers of the occasion.

Minister Phelps held a reception at London on the Fourth, distinguished Americans and Englishmen being present. Congratulatory cablegrams were exchanged between the party and Pres. Cleveland. Cyrus W. Field entertained Minister Phelps, Senator Edmunds, Consul-General Waller, John Bright and other prominent Americans and Englishmen at the Buckingham Palace hotel, in the evening. Mr. Field sent a message of sympathy to Gen. Grant and family.

The popular notions about the sultan of Turkey must be revised, according to the opinion of ex-Minister Gen. Lew Wallace, who has just returned from Turkey to give place to "Sunset" Cox. Gen. Wallace says the sultan is a man of decided ability and is "really administering the government." The most important matter to occupy Mr. Cox's attention will be the commercial treaty of 1862, which the Turkish government claims has expired, and the provisions of which are being temporarily continued by mutual agreement.

The telephone companies are evading the Indiana law fixing the rate at not more than \$3 a month for telephone, by making separate charges for batteries, services and incidentals. Charles Francis Adams, unlike his distinguished father and grandfather, is dying first at the top. He has suffered a complete decay of his mental faculties, and is no longer capable of any mental effort, his memory being entirely obliterated. His physical health is not such as to render his early death probable.

Cleveland Should Resign.

Young men in our colleges and schools, young men brought up with the old Massachusetts love of liberty, and the old Massachusetts sense of financial honor, are told by the men who are now in the White House that this administration is doing very well in the foreign appointments. The president turned out poor Meade of Mississippi, whose fault it was that he did, a year ago last fall, those acts of murder and violence which gave notice to the members of the republican party in every doubtful state in the South what was to be their fate if they attempted to make a canvass in any presidential election. President Cleveland was bound, in my judgment, to speak only for himself—either to give him, the instrument by which his party gained success, his commission, or to step out of the presidential chair himself.—(Senator Hoar at the Logan banquet.)

Mr. Hoar's effort is that of a strong man trying to project the old prejudice of the past into the future, and sustain a party upon them. He fails to give President Cleveland the credit he deserves. He is a man of power, and his predecessors, than any of his predecessors, which have a real bearing upon public matters, and his entire avoidance of them shows on his part a melancholy delving into affairs which can hardly claim to be more than party purposes.—(Boston Transcript.)

But, seriously, what is the burden of the South? The democrats are in power, and that President Cleveland has appointed to office and sent abroad as ministers democrats who have shared the party's mistakes and follies—mistakes, follies and crimes perhaps which Mr. Hoar can readily forgive when the culprit becomes a republican, or even a readjuster, but never so long as he remains a democrat. It is no wonder that the democrats are in power, and that President Cleveland has appointed to office and sent abroad as ministers democrats who have shared the party's mistakes and follies—mistakes, follies and crimes perhaps which Mr. Hoar can readily forgive when the culprit becomes a republican, or even a readjuster, but never so long as he remains a democrat. It is no wonder that the democrats are in power, and that President Cleveland has appointed to office and sent abroad as ministers democrats who have shared the party's mistakes and follies—mistakes, follies and crimes perhaps which Mr. Hoar can readily forgive when the culprit becomes a republican, or even a readjuster, but never so long as he remains a democrat.

Lyndonville.

The mass temperance meeting on the Fourth was called to order by the chairman of the executive committee, Rev. E. Owen, at 10:30 a. m. Prayer was offered by Rev. P. N. Granger, after which music was listened to by Lyndonville band, which was with us the entire day and did much for their music to enliven the occasion. Rev. E. Owen, of St. Johnsbury, spoke admirably for a few minutes of personal work, after which Rev. Dr. Bolton took the stand and spoke for nearly an hour in an able and earnest manner, urging the education of our children. After a collection, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. A. Scribner of Newport. At 1:25 Rev. Dr. Bolton took the stand and spoke until he was obliged to leave, when songs by Miss Davidson of Boston and Myrtle Adair of West Burke, both inmates of the blind school at Boston, were listened to. Mrs. Hadden then spoke in the interest of the W. C. T. U. when all of the clergy were called to the stand. The following clergymen were present: P. N. Granger, A. Scribner, S. Donaldson, R. P. Oakes, I. P. Chase, F. L. Piper, J. H. Smith, Dr. A. Granger, Rev. Dr. Bolton, Rev. Dr. Hastings, J. H. Winslow, M. Atwood, A. Howard and N. Grover. Mrs. Hastings was introduced and spoke especially to the children, after which Dr. Hastings spoke in his earnest manner; music was then furnished by the band. The meeting was the best of the kind ever held here.

It is estimated that 4000 people attended the meeting at the grove and the entertainment at the park on the Fourth. At the park the great attraction was the wrestling match between Dufer and Decker. The watch was won by Decker, who won every fall to the delight of the crowd. The races were called good, the track was in good condition and fair time was made. The people were orderly and no arrests were made by the police. In 1884, when his son Thomas took it, and has carried it ever since. Thomas was born in Ryegate in 1803.

Wells River.

William and Abigail Durnett were in town last week calling upon a few of their old friends. Abigail returns in about a month to San Francisco where he is engaged as book-keeper for a wholesale grocery. Miss Louise Whitney has returned for her summer vacation. Mrs. Durnett is improving.

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The Lyndonville National bank and the Savings bank have each declared a semi-annual dividend of two per cent.

Charles H. Hopkins is very sick with pneumonia.

McIndoes Falls. A son and daughter of Wm. Montiel, with their families, are spending their vacation in town.

Ye commercial traveler reports hard times; still he attends 4th of July ball at lake Willoughby.

Dentist Haskins was in town again last night trying to improve his imitating abilities of different people.

Friends from the West are visiting Mrs. J. C. Gleason.

The rains of the past week have in some instances nearly doubled the hay crop.

Dr. Clark has rented the Web, French house and will move his office there about Aug. 1.

James Dean is at home from Waterbury to help his people at haying.

The mills run now on full time, the rains of last week having hastened the work of getting the drive along.

Judge Perry's nice Jersey cow received a cut the whole length of one of her legs from a severe cut in Fred Colby's fence last night. She is expected to recover without permanent injury.

The Fourth was the quietest in many years in this place.

While mending a fence last week Fred Colby received a severe cut in the instep. He is doing as well as could be expected.

Bishop's new piazza makes quite an addition to the comfort of the house.

Monroe.

Mr. Shaw raised his new barn July 3d.

Newton Lang is now able to get about a very little on crutches.

Frank Webster goes to Lyndon this week to look after the interests of D. P. Hall's estate. He is engaged for a year.

Monroe is pretty well represented to-day at Woodsville in the probate court, on account of the contest over the appointment of an administrator of the estate of the late Darius Blodgett.

Peacham.

Our population was quite seldom the Fourth, that is, you could seldom find many of them in a place. Some were at the celebrations at Danville and Mansfield. There were two or three small parties and picnics in town and the Y. W. C. T. U. enjoyed themselves to the full extent of the law on the fine picnic grounds at Harvey's pond.

Rev. S. L. Martyn returned on the last night from New York, accompanied by his nephew Paul.

The Church Aid society gives an entertainment to-night with Hon. Wm. D. Harriman as lecturer and Miss Gertrude Wiswell of Cabot in select readings.

The summer term of Caledonia county grammar school closed on the 3d, and Prof. Bunker and wife leave soon for New Hampshire.

Children's day was observed on Sunday by pleasing services in the Congregational church.

The M. E. church gave a strawberry festival in their basement rooms last Thursday and cleared about \$35.

South Ryegate. E. H. Doton, formerly a jeweler at Bradford, has opened a jewelry shop in G. L. Hall's store, which is a long-felt want in South Ryegate.

Sunday night's shower made a large washout on the Montpelier and Wells River railroad, above Lanesboro, on account of which no trains could be run through until Tuesday night. Transfers of mail and passengers were made on Monday and Tuesday, trains running up to both sides of the washout.

The main street of our village has been in bad condition during the past week on account of the laying down of a 15-inch tile sewer. The main object in laying this was to carry a small brook from the hill above the village down to the river. This has heretofore been a source of complaint. Geo. Hall's store and the R. G. W. hotel, and last spring occasioned considerable trouble, by breaking out into the road, undermining the sidewalk, filling the hotel cellar full of water, and washing out the road badly. A man from Lowell, Mass., superintended the laying of the tile.

On Saturday, while some of the workmen at the Blue Mountain Granite Co.'s sheds were training granite from the stone wagon, one of the guys supporting the derrick gave way and the derrick fell. Several of the workmen were near it when it fell, but fortunately no one was hurt. The derrick has been considered unsafe by the workmen for several months but no steps have been taken toward strengthening it. It will now be supported by wire cables.

The social hop at depot hall July 3, was well attended, about 40 couples being present. Supper was served at Bailey's hotel and those present seemed to pass an enjoyable evening.

Fourth of July was rather dry in this place, the only demonstration being a picnic given by the Young People's Temperance Promoters.

The Blue Mountain Granite Co. have put in another granite polishing machine.

George Terry has gone to Chicago.

Robbie Miller, who has been working in a hotel at Mass., paper mill, is home on a visit.

Efforts are being made to organize a branch of the Knights of Labor in this place.

Robert Arthur split his foot open with an axe last week and is now practicing with crutches.

Robert Arthur of South Ryegate met with a severe accident while chopping recently. He went to cut off a limb and his axe going through much easier than he expected went into his foot, cutting a gash four inches long and nearly through his foot.

Thomas Smith of South Ryegate, carries a watch which is over 100 years old. The watch was bought by James Smith in Belfast of John Knox, the maker. James carried it till his death in 1840, when his son Thomas took it, and has carried it ever since. Thomas was born in Ryegate in 1803.

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The lecture of Mr. Leitch was pronounced highly entertaining by those who attended.

Miss Mary Page closed her school last week. She promises to make a successful teacher.

Geo. Tucker was in town last week and set up one of his ranges. He returns with half a carload as soon as his business is finished at Bradford.

State Press Opinions.

"A POLITICAL NUMBER." It is said that Senator Greene of Franklin county was recently in Washington, and quite convinced Mr. Cleveland that Hiram Atkins is a sort of political bum, a democrat for revenue only, a sly republican ally and a betrayer of his party.

It looks as if the real thing to be fishing most of the time during the late campaign, but got out of the woods in time to claim all the credit of the victory and open an office-bookage shop. He protested against the recognition of Atkins and Snell as the only democrats in the state.—[Montpelier Watchman.]

WHAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN. In view of all the developments that have come to light in the past two weeks, it looks as if the real thing to be criticized in the commissioners' action is the fact that, when they found their appropriation insufficient, they did not drop the matter and go to the next legislature, frankly saying that they must have more money, rather than go on with a plan which cannot give a satisfactory result, which will leave a deficit for the state to pay, and of which it will be said in the future that "it doesn't look as bad as it might" and it was "the best thing that could be done under the circumstances."—[Brattleboro Phoenix.]

THE NEW LIBRARY.

A paper published in Montpelier has been characterized as efficient in its deliveries on the subject of the new building. This Argus racket is the combined product of Henry Oviatt and Thomas L. Wood. Mr. Wood, who is assistant state librarian, favored a separate building. He had some pet notions about a library, and is all unconcerned to an annex. He is the victim of a mild type of lunacy on this subject and employs his time, we are credibly informed, in studying up "points" for the Argus writer to develop and publish.

Certain it is that a separate building on land east of the state-house and in line with it was to be achieved in the legislature and outside of that body. The public got the impression that this was the proposition. The act authorizing the erection of the building bears plain language of such an expression and that locality was the one earliest under consideration by the commission.—[Watchman.]

General News.

ENTIRE FAMILY KILLED.

A train leaving Boston at 6 p. m. Friday on the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn narrow-gauge road struck a carriage at Winthrop Junction, containing P. J. Olander, 29, his son Frederick, 22, his daughter Clara, 16, and a hired man named Louis Mallan. Mr. Olander and his son were instantly killed, Mallan was terribly injured and died within half an hour, and Clara Olander received internal injuries that will prove fatal. Mr. Olander was a well-known furniture dealer of East Boston. The party were on their way to his summer cottage at Winthrop. There are no gates at the crossing; but the party were warned of the approach of the train by the flagman. They tried to cross the track and were struck by the train.

STREET-RAILWAY STRIKE AT CHICAGO.

An eight days strike among the conductors and drivers on the western division street railways of Chicago, making an entire stoppage of travel, ended Tuesday in a virtual victory for the strikers. The strike originated in the city by the railway company of 16 men who had been members of a committee which had successfully petitioned the company for the redress of certain grievances. Thereupon 1500 employees struck. The company now agrees to take back the strikers and to submit the discharged men's cases to the disinterested parties.

THE FATAL FIRE-CRACKER.

Jessie Huicks of Cambridge, a Harvard Annex student, died Sunday from the effects of burns received Saturday, when he was caught in a fire from a smoldering fire-cracker on the street. She was walking with a friend at the time, and when the friend noticed the fire Miss Huicks ran and tried to enter her home, but finding the door locked she fell exhausted in the yard. The flames were extinguished by some men who were passing, but not until the girl was horribly burned. The deceased was the daughter of Gen. E. W. Huicks and was 30 years old.

Several Fourth of July accidents occurred. Two men were killed at Fallsville, N. Y., one each at Haverhill and East Chelmsford in Massachusetts, and one in Virginia, besides a boy drowned at Worcester, Mass.—Ten of the 13 large tobacco warehouses at Stoughton, Wisconsin, were burned, destroying 9000 cases of tobacco, valued at \$400,000. It is estimated that one-third of last year's crop of tobacco in the state was destroyed. Total loss, over half a million dollars. Cause, fire-crackers.

Vermont News.

T. J. Boynton of Johnson has passed the examination and been made post-office inspector.

Rev. Charles Mills was installed over the Springfield Congregational church Thursday.

Burlington dry goods merchants have decided to close their stores every Friday at one p. m.

The failure of O. E. Scott, jeweller, of Waterbury, is announced. Liabilities \$2500; assets, \$900.

J. J. Randall of Rutland is reported as likely to succeed A. H. Tuttle as postmaster of that place.

John T. Catcher, president of the Rutland Trust company, with his wife sailed for Europe Saturday.

The Congregational society at West Rutland propose to build a church and parsonage during the summer.

Quite a number who went West from Orange county this spring have returned disgruntled with the country.

Frank H. Rice of West Fairlee, who had his leg crushed under a train at White River Junction Monday evening, died Tuesday.

The town grand list of Fair Haven this year represented a valuation of \$1,069,386; an increase of \$252,923 over that of last year.

Cyrus Houghton, an old and prominent farmer of Woodstock, was instantly killed this week Tuesday by a kick from a horse which he was attempting to catch in his pasture.

Upon inspection of the post office at Vergennes, the accounts of the postmaster revealed a shortage, and a general mismanagement was found to exist. Thereupon Postmaster Johnson resigned.

A barn belonging to E. E. Andrews near Berlin was recently struck by lightning and consumed, together with ten tons of hay and a yoke of oxen just driven in for shelter. Loss \$3000; insured for \$1200.

The Vermont Christian Messenger has commenced the issue of a four-page edition—half the size of its regular edition—devoted to temperance, and general secular news and topics of an undenominational character.

A stock company has been formed in Montpelier under the name of the "Pioneer Granite Company," to manufacture granite, marble, slate and wood. The capital stock is \$18,000, divided into 180 shares of \$100 each.

F. W. Baldwin, Esq., of Barton is preparing a biography of the members of the Orleans county bar from 1840 to the present time. The list comprises about 160 different names. The book will contain engravings of the prominent members.

K. K. Wilson's fine residence in Bradford was struck by lightning last Sunday evening. The bolt entered the pantry window and penetrated every room in the lower part of the house. The inmates were knocked senseless by the shock. Damages estimated at about \$500.

Rev. S. H. Lee and family of the Brattleboro Congregational church recently had a surprise from their people and were given \$100, while their two children, Grace and Theodore, were each remembered with ten dollars in gold. Mr. Lee has already concluded his pastorate with the church.

Goddard seminary of Barre closed a remarkably prosperous year June 24, by graduating a class having three more members than any previous year in the history of the school. Of the twenty members thereof one-half contemplate a college course, and most of them will enter Tufts in the fall.

The grasshoppers have appeared at Chelsea in myriads, and threaten more serious ravages than heretofore, especially in localities not affected by them very seriously in previous years. The farmers are becoming alarmed in view of the prospect of a very short crop of hay. It will be much less than the bills, they say, than it was last year.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE

1st, National Bank of St. Johnsbury, Vt.

At St. Johnsbury, in the State of Vermont, at the close of business,

JULY 1st, 1885.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	\$621,389 01
Overdrafts	10,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	195,500 00
Other stocks, bonds, and mortgages	5,500 00
Due from approved reserve agents	66,336 24
Due from other National Banks	4,056 75
Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures	13,136 00
Checks and other cash items	2,070 13
Bills of other banks	5,230 00
Stocks and premiums	382 92
Specie	11,000 00
Legal tender notes	1,565 00
Five per cent. Redemption Fund	8,797 50
TOTAL	\$940,079 00

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock paid in	\$500,000 00
Surplus Fund	80,000 00
Undivided Profits	17,290 00
National Bank Notes outstanding	171,306 00
Dividends unpaid	754 50
Individual deposits subject to check	14,992 16
Demand Certificates of deposit	14,701 74
TOTAL	\$940,079 00

STATE OF VERMONT, ss.

I, Geo. May, Cashier of the above-named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEO. MAY, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of July, 1885.

WALTER P. SMITH, Judge of Probate.

Correct—Attest: L. P. POLAND, J. W. COLEMAN, A. E. RANKIN, Directors.

Statement of Passumpsic Savings Bank.

JULY 1, 1885.

RESOURCES:

Mortgages on Real Estate	\$752,561 45
Personal and Collateral Loans	324,650 00
City, Town and School Dist. Bonds at par	344,436 00
National Bank Notes at par	10,900 00
United States Bonds at par	1,150 00
Current interest on above bonds paid	24 50
Real Estate	4,065 00
Interest Accrued and unpaid	46,627 84
Due from National Banks	8,246 00
On hand	9,